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We are at 70% of our goal! Thank you to all who have donated & pledged. We are in the 6th week of this campaign. Last year we had AAA wrapped up in 8 weeks (including pledges to be paid over the year) — Let's do it again!

MANAGING BEHAVIORS WITH DEMENTIA PATIENTS

Free Presentation by Catholic Charities Adult Day Services San Mateo County

Saturday, May 6, 2017, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
San Mateo Senior Center, 2645 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo

A diagnosis of dementia can be devastating and very few of us are prepared for the challenges. Catholic Charities Aging Support Services Division Director, Patty Clement-Cihak, and Program Manager, Carmen Santoni, will cover effective communication, managing challenging behaviors, stress reduction techniques, and where to find information and assistance. (This course is not for professional caregivers.) To register visit www.erecreg.com (Course #142033). For help with registration call 650 522 7490. For more information, call Catholic Charities at 650 592 9325 or visit CatholicCharitiesSF.org/our-programs/adult-day-services-san-mat/

JOIN US FOR A LIVE STREAM OF YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

March Executive Speaker: John Turner,
Senior Vice President of Sales at TriNet.

WHEN: March 07, 2017 at 7pm

WHERE: St. Teresa of Avila, Avila Hall

Cheese and Wine will be offered.

Contact Victoria Flores

(victoria.flores@ucsf.edu) for questions.

SOLIDARITY WITH IMMIGRANTS MASS WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

In this time when many of our immigrant families experience increased anxiety and fear due to the new emphasis on deportations and immigration enforcement, we will gather to show our families that they do not stand alone and that our Church is with them. Please join us:

DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2017

TIME: 11:00 A.M. MASS, FOLLOWED BY
DISCUSSION

PLACE: SAINT PETER CHURCH
1200 FLORIDA STREET

ST TERESA'S GREEN TEAM

As Pope Francis said in his Ash Wednesday homily, "Lent is a time for saying no: no to "spiritual asphyxia" caused by indifference; no to "the toxic pollution of empty and meaningless words"; no to "a prayer that soothes our conscience, an almsgiving that leaves us self-satisfied, a fasting that makes us feel good", no to all forms of exclusion." Consider also saying "no" to carbon during this lenten season. In keeping with Pope Francis's 2015 Encyclical, Laudato Si, on Care for our Common Home, St Teresa's Lent Calendar suggests actions, prayers, learning, good habits, new traditions, and reflections to help reduce our environmental footprint. Calendars are available in the vestibule.

WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CARMELITES



MARCH 5, 2017 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



1490 19TH STREET (CHURCH)
LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF 19TH & CONNECTICUT STREETS

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10:00am to 12:30pm
1:00pm to 4:30pm

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:15 pm
Sunday 8:30 &
10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 8:30 am
Friday 8:30 am

MARRIAGE

Please call six months in advance.

BAPTISM &

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Please call the Parish Office
for an appointment.

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ST. TERESA'S MISSION STATEMENT

*As members of St. Teresa's Parish we fulfill our baptismal commitment
by being the hands and heart of Christ in our world.
We achieve this commitment by accepting the human dignity of all persons,
and by advocating for and serving those oppressed in our society.
The community of St. Teresa's finds its strength to fulfill this through participation
in the Eucharist, prayer, learning the building of relationships, and action for Justice.*

THE LENTEN GOSPELS IN CYCLE "A"

The liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council restored a number of ancient practices to the liturgy. Chief among them was the restoration of A-Cycle Gospels for the Season of Lent, as the Church went back to practices of the third and fourth centuries for its selection and sequence of readings. In this week's column I'd like to take a look at these five Gospels, and discuss why the Church chooses to use these readings during the Lenten Season.

In the A-Cycle of Lent we read the following five Gospels: the *Temptation in the Desert* (Mt 4:1-11); the *Transfiguration* (Mt 17:1-9); the *Woman at the Well* (Jn 4:5-42); the *Man Born Blind* (Jn 9:1-41) and the *Raising of Lazarus* (Jn 11:1-45). These five readings anticipate both the Resurrection of Jesus (celebrated at Easter) and the Initiation of New Members into the Community (celebrated at the Easter Vigil).

- The *Temptation in the Desert* – where Jesus spends 40 days and nights “encountering the devil” prior to beginning his public ministry – corresponds to the 40 days of Lent. While the baptized community fasts and prays in anticipation of the Easter Feast, those preparing for Baptism go through the *Period of Purification and Enlightenment*. For catechumens and candidates, Lent provides a retreat-like atmosphere which serves as a prayerful preparation for the Easter Sacraments of Baptism Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- The *Transfiguration* – where Jesus is “transfigured” and the disciples see Jesus, Elijah, and Moses – is included in this sequence because of one small detail: Jesus’ dazzling white garment. This corresponds to the white garments in which the newly baptized are clothed following their baptism at the Easter Vigil.
- In John’s story of the *Woman at the Well*, Jesus states that “If only you recognized God’s gift, and who it is that is asking you for a drink, you would have asked him instead, and he would have given you living water.” The allusion is quite obvious: The “living water” given to the Woman at the Well corresponds to the living water of baptism into which catechumens are baptized at Easter.
- The *Man Born Blind* invokes a highly complex series of images. It involves a connection between blindness and sight, which has its most obvious parallel in the connection between darkness and light. Here, the reference is to the Easter Fire and Paschal Candle which are kindled and lighted at the Easter Vigil. In fire and candle we symbolically proclaim that light overpowers darkness, life conquers death, grace triumphs over sin, and good overcomes evil.
- On the Fifth Sunday of Lent the connection regarding the *Raising of Lazarus* is quite obvious. Lazarus’ being brought back from the dead prefigures Jesus’ resurrection from the tomb. But there is an additional parallel to this “being raised to new life”: those who are initiated into the Church enter the baptismal waters and “die” to the old self. When they emerge from the font, each does so as a “new creation” . . . in much the same way that the resurrected Christ was a “new creation” when he emerged from the tomb.

The restoration of the A-Cycle of readings during Lent demonstrate that, first and foremost, the 40-days of Lent are primarily a preparation period for those who will be baptized at Easter.

Michael Kwiecien, O. Carm.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

March 4 & 5

This week’s second collection benefits the St. Teresa Building & Maintenance Fund.

March 11 & 12

There will be no second collection next week.



**WEEKEND COLLECTION
FEBRUARY 25 & 26
\$2,072
THANK YOU!**

Ministers Schedule for Next Week March 11 & 12

<p>4:15 PM</p> <p>Lector: A. Rose Bread: J. Burns Cup: E. Perea Hosp: J. Marasco</p> <p>8:30 AM</p> <p>Lector: D. Paquette Bread: R. Kingman Cup: S. Siebel Hosp: T. Lando</p>	<p>10:00 AM</p> <p>1 Lector: R. Pitts 2 Lector: L. Jacklevich 1 Bread: S. Miller 2 Bread: M. Suisala 3 Bread: J. Warnock 1 Cup: C. Allen 2 Cup: J. Schelstrate Hosp: J. Warnock</p>
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MASS INTENTIONS As we celebrate Mass together we include in our prayers:

Saturday, March 4

4:15pm The People of the Parish
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, March 5

8:30am The Sick of the Parish
10:00am The Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday, March 7

8:30am † Patricia Norris

Friday, March 10

8:30am The Sick of the Parish

Saturday, March 11

4:15pm † Patricia Norris
Henry Morgan Jr. (Spec. Int.)

Sunday, March 12

8:30am The Deceased of the Parish
10:00am The People of the Parish

Parish Calendar

Sun, Mar 5 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall
Mon, Mar 6 - Choir Practice, 6:30pm
- AA Step Meeting, 6:30pm
Tue, Mar 7 - SVdP Grocery Distribution
1:00pm, Hall
- Virtual Green Team Meeting
6:00pm. Call 415.715.3580
Access Code: 979-179
Sat, Mar 11 - AA Meeting, 7pm, Avila
Sun, Mar 12 - Faith Formation, 9:00am, Hall

Welcome to St. Teresa's Parish Community

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us. Whether long-time residents or newly arrived in our parish, we thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered or have changes to your registration, please fill in the form below.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

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